PROPOSITION 58 ENSURES ALL STUDENTS CAN ACHIEVE ENGLISH PROFICIENCY AS RAPIDLY AS POSSIBLE.

PROPOSITION 58 EXPANDS OPPORTUNITIES FOR ENGLISH SPEAKERS TO MASTER A SECOND LANGUAGE.

That's why Proposition 58 is supported by our state's leading educators and parent advocates – classroom teachers, the State PTA, school principals and local school board members – and Governor Jerry Brown.

PROPOSITION 58 IS NOT A "DISHONEST TRICK."

Don't be fooled by opponents' scare tactics. Prop 58 is NOT a "trick" to abandon English instruction in favor of "mandatory Spanish-almost-only classes." Here's what Prop 58 actually says:

- School districts must provide their pupils with "effective and appropriate"
 language acquisition programs "designed to ensure English acquisition as
 rapidly and as effectively as possible" (Education Code Sections 305 (a) (1)
 and 306 (c)).
- "All California school children have the right to be provided with a free public education and an English language public education." (Education Code Section 320).
- School districts "shall, at a minimum, provide English Learners with a structured English immersion program" (Education Code Section 305 (a)(2)).

THE EVIDENCE DOES NOT SUPPORT THE OPPONENTS' CLAIMS.

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Opponents claim Proposition 227 was wildly successful, but a comprehensive five-year evaluation by the American Institutes for Research concluded "there is no conclusive evidence" to support their claims.

EDUCATORS AND PARENTS ASK YOU TO REJECT OPPOSITION SCARE TACTICS.

Under Prop 58 local school districts will decide – with input from parents, educators and their communities – the most appropriate language instruction approaches for their students to achieve English proficiency as rapidly as possible and expand opportunities for English speakers to master a second language.

SUPPORT OUR CHILDREN AND OUR SCHOOLS, VOTE YES ON 58.

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